THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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| MAGTEN ASSET MANAGEMENT CORPORATION: and LAW DEBENTURE TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK, | |
| Plaintiffs, | |
| v. : | C.A. No. 04-1494 JJF |
| NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION, : | |
| Defendant. : | |
| : MAGTEN ASSET MANAGEMENT CORPORATION, : | |
| Plaintiff, | |
| v. : | C.A. No. 04-1256 JJF |
| PAUL, HASTINGS, JANOFSKY & WALKER LLP, : | |
| Defendant. | |
| : MAGTEN ASSET MANAGEMENT CORPORATION, : | |
| Plaintiff, | |
| v. : | C.A. No. 05-0499 JJF |
| MIKE J. HANSON & ERNIE J. KINDT, | |
| Defendants. | |

PAUL, HASTINGS, JANOFSKY & WALKER LLP'S JOINDER TO DEFENDANT NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION'S MOTION FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER

Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker LLP ("Paul Hastings") hereby joins (the "Joinder") in Defendant Northwestern Corporation's Motion for a Protective Order and Memorandum of Law in Support of its Motion for a Protective Order dated February 2, 2006 (D.I. 55, 56 in C.A. No. 04-1494) (together, the "Motion"), and requests the relief sought therein, for substantially the

same reasons set forth in the Motion.1 Paul Hastings expressly reserves all rights to participate in additional briefing or argument on this matter.

Date: February 10, 2006

Respectfully submitted.

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Paul Hastings is filing this Joinder in the three above-captioned civil actions because, although no order has formally been entered, it understands that these cases have been consolidated for the purpose of discovery.